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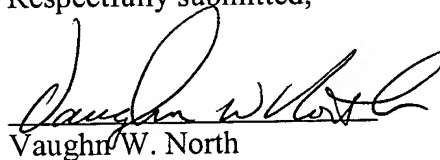
Claims 1, 2, 4, 6-17, 19-41 are pending in the present application. Applicant has amended claim 9 to remove any reference to mixtures of gases, and has canceled rejected claims 33-38. Claims 39-40 were objected to as dependent upon a rejected base claim. Claims 39 and 40 have each been amended to independent form. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. As all rejected subject matter has been canceled (with the exception of claim 9, which has been corrected to overcome the rejection), it is respectfully submitted that the presently pending claims be entered and allowed. All amendments herein have been provided to put all claims in condition for allowance.

In view of the above, Applicant believes that claims 1, 2, 4, 6-13, 14-17, 19-33 and 39-41 present allowable subject matter and allowance is respectfully requested. If any impediment to the allowance of these claims remains after consideration of the above remarks, and such impediment could be removed during a telephone interview, the Examiner is invited to telephone Gary Oakeson, or the undersigned attorney, at (801) 566-6633, so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

Please charge any additional fees except for Issue Fee or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-0100.

Dated this 6 day of Aug, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,



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